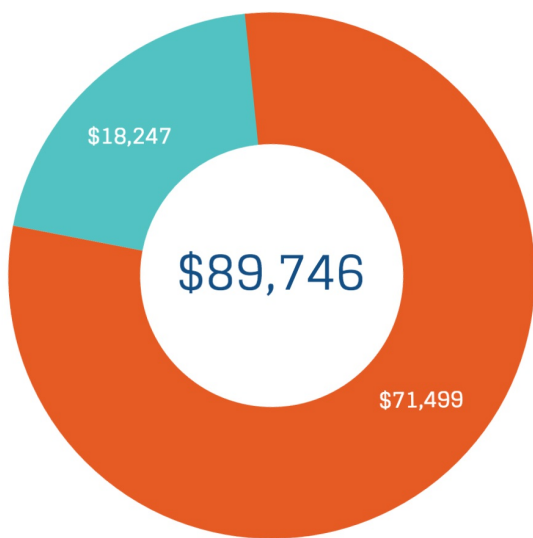


# TAUNTON / ATTLEBORO

Funded Partners | Attleboro Police Department, Taunton Boys & Girls Club, Taunton Housing Authority, Taunton Police Department

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts's Charles E. Shannon Community Safety Initiative (Shannon) is modeled after the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's Comprehensive Gang Model (CGM). Shannon is a multi-sector approach used to address a community's gang and youth violence problem. Each community receiving Shannon funding demonstrates the presence of risk factors for youth and gang violence. In each Shannon community, partners implement strategies that align with the CGM and respond to community problems. These strategies include education and employment opportunities, case management and street outreach or intervention, positive youth development and recreation, and coordinating a law enforcement response through suppression. Shannon participants must be between the ages of 10-24 years, live in a high-risk area, and be high-risk or at-risk of becoming involved, or are currently involved, in gang activity. To learn more visit: <http://www.mass.gov/eopss/funding-andtraining/justice-and-prev/grants/shannon-csi/>

## Funding Allocation



## Shannon Strategies & Outcomes

### Positive Youth Development & Recreation\*



155  
Participated in  
Recreation Programs

30  
Participated in  
Positive Youth  
Development  
Programs

60  
Demonstrated  
Understanding the  
Causes of Violence

15  
Developed Healthy  
Relationships with  
Peers

### Suppression



13  
Gang Members and  
High Impact Players  
Arrested

9  
Hot Spot Patrols  
Completed

240  
Shannon Funded  
Overtime Hours  
used on Warrant  
Sweeps

25  
Grams of Fentanyl  
Seized during  
Shannon Funded  
Operations

### Community Mobilization



48  
Community Events,  
Meetings, and  
Presentations Held

70  
People Attended  
Events, Meetings,  
and Presentations

## 185 Total Youth Served

97.3%  
At-Risk



Youth in danger of engaging in risky behavior or gang activity due to the presence of known risk factors such as exposure to gang affiliates in their home or community.

2.7%  
High-Risk



Youth exposed to the same risk factors as at-risk youth, as well as additional risk factors such as school failure, dropping out, truancy, substance abuse, and gang involvement as an affiliate or member not yet participating in violent criminal activity.

0%  
Proven-Risk



Youth who are perpetrators or victims of shooting or stabbing violence, and/or are known gang members.

 =10% of Youth Served

\* Positive Youth Development refers to intentional efforts to provide opportunities for youth to enhance their interests, skills, and abilities.

## Community Risk Factors

	Massachusetts	Taunton	Attleboro
Total Population (2015 Estimate)	6,794,422	56,789	44,284
Population Lives in Poverty	11.5%	12.4%	10.1%
Unemployment Rate	2.8%	4.6%	3.9%
Total Public School Population (2015-2016)	953,429	8,038	5,918
Economically Disadvantaged	27.4%	37.7%	26.0%
High School Dropout Rate	4.9%	4.8%	4.9%

Sources: [www.census.gov/quickfacts](http://www.census.gov/quickfacts); [profiles.doe.mass.edu/](http://profiles.doe.mass.edu/); [www.mass.gov/lwd/economic-data/](http://www.mass.gov/lwd/economic-data/)

## Taunton & Attleboro's Gang Activity

10  
Street Gangs

43  
Gang Members  
Under 25 Years Old

During 2016, Taunton Police Department identified 4 gangs comprising approximately 45 gang members, of which over 75% were under the age of 25. Gang activity included murder, assaults, drug trafficking, shootings, stabbings, and robberies. Younger gang members committed motor vehicle theft. Attleboro Police Department identified 32 known gang members from 10 different gangs with 25% of these individuals below the age of 25. Gang activity in Attleboro included offenses such as domestic violence, drug offenses, larceny, robbery, and stabbings.

## 5-Year Crime Trends for Young People Ages 10-24, 2012-2016

